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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

Application of Vittorio MASCOLO

METHOD FOR USING THE COMPLETE RESOURCE CAPACITY OF A SYNCHRONOUS DIGITAL, HIERARCHY NETWORK, SUBJECT TO A PROTECTION MECHANISM, IN THE PRESENCE OF A DATA (PACKET) NETWORK, AND RELATING APPARATUS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION

OF THE METHOD Assignee: ALCATEL Our Ref. O78649



Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 16 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 4 sheets of drawings, a copy of an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and a copy of an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Application Data Sheet, and an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified).

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Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$770.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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The priority document is enclosed herewith.

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